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[Editorial]

AGRICULTURAL SUGGESTED POLICY FOR KWANTUNG

In recognition of the Farm Labor Heroes Congress now meeting in Ta-lien, we should like to suggest the following principles to be followed in preparing next year's production program:

1. Present grain production should be maintained. Conditions are now somewhat changed compared to the food scarcity which existed after the blockade by Kuomintang reactionaries in 1945, but the nation is still living in a war situation and should therefore not neglect food production.
2. Mutual cooperation movements in rural areas should be extended.
3. Orchards and gardens should be restored and expanded. Products such as cotton, hemp and peanuts could be used to supply the cities and the export trade, thereby increasing the people's income. In Chin Hsien there is also a future for rice fields.
4. Tree planting should be increased. Government nurseries should be encouraged, widespread cutting by the people should be avoided, and fast-growing trees should be planted along river banks.
5. Animal husbandry should be emphasized. Despite the slump of the past few years, the Kwantung climate is favorable for this industry and there is a great future for it. As a part of the program, the government's policy of exempting fodder from taxation in 1948 has met wide approval. Slaughtering must be restricted, breeding stations increased, disease-prevention measures strengthened and an adequate supply of veterinarians trained.

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